

SIX PACK NEWS August - September 2008

September 21, 2008

We had a long, busy weekend! We left early on Saturday to travel to Elizabeth Inn & Conference Center in Plover, WI for the wedding of Ashley and Josh. We saw lots of our friends from all over the state. The wedding was beautiful and the party was CRAZY! They invited us to join them for dinner, which is always appreciated by hungry musicians! They danced to every song and kept the party rockin' till midnight. We didn't want the party to end, but we had to pack up and get on the road for our 3 hour drive home. The rest of the wedding party and guests hit the bar across the street and some headed for the pool. We want to thank Ashley, Josh and their parents for inviting SIX PACK to share their special day.

SIX PACK members got to bed at 4:00 a.m., slept a few hours, then drove to Wind Lake, WI for the Wind Lake Street Fair. It was a perfect day for this event - sunny and gorgeous! Many thanks to the Wind Lake Chamber of Commerce for organizing this event. Also the Wind Lake Lions, Pirates, and Rangers who continue to keep their community strong. They are raising money for a band shell in the park. We would LOVE to see that and wish them well. SIX PACK was hired for the spring event, so watch the schedule page for upcoming dates.

After the Wind Lake gig, Marty left for Germany and the rest of us headed home for the Packers game. Tonight we catch up on sleep and go back to our REAL jobs tomorrow. Be sure to check out the pictures from this weekend on the Photo page. We all had a great time. Thanks for partyin' with SIX PACK!

Get your costumes ready for the Halloween Bash at the "K" Ranch on October 25!

September 13, 2008

Tonight's gig at Georgie Porgies Car Show has been cancelled due to weather. We'll see you all next week at Wind Lake Street Fair. Dry off your dancin' shoes and meet us there!

August 17, 2008

We played for a wedding last night in Caledonia, WI. Gabrielle and Dan were recently married in Costa Rica. They wanted to share a special night with their friends and family at their home. They invited SIX PACK to share their special event. Let me tell you about the atmosphere... the backyard features a pool and a full volleyball court. The pool had floating lights and the volleyball court was completely covered by a white tent. Icicle lights lit up the perimeter of the tent. Candles and seashells adorned the tables. A large screen video showed highlights from their Costa Rican adventure. A fully stocked bar was available to their guests, along with a deliciously catered meal. SIX PACK set up on a slight hill alongside the tent. Our backdrop was a steep hill leading down to a stream. We moved Marty up the hill a bit to avoid an undesirable trip down the hill! Jerry placed his saxes safely under a tree and we were ready to rock! The dance floor was up a hill, under the tent, so (thanks to cordless mics and instruments) we made lots of trips up the hill to join our dancers under the tent. We had some guest stars (Tammy & Justin from the Marine Corps band) and our bride and groom join us for a few tunes. We had a lot of talent at this party! The weather was absolutely perfect! We rocked all night and even played an extra hour of music. We were having too much fun! We thank Gabrielle and Dan for inviting SIX PACK to share this experience. They know how to throw a party!

August 10, 2008

Whew - we made it! SIX PACK played 8 shows in the last 9 days! One day was a double-header, 3 shows were 5 hour gigs, and 6 of the shows were at Wisconsin State Fair. We experienced many adventures this past week including Charlie Daniels taking a break from his show to come and check us out! We said goodbye to our drummer, A.J. Knight, and welcomed Marty "The Party" Pierce back to the band. We had a bass guitar accidentally go home with another band, but within minutes Joe had 3 bass guitars to choose from. We had lots of surprise visitors - friends and relatives we haven't seen in quite a while stopped in to party with us. We made lots of new friends too! It means so much to us when people take the time to introduce themselves and offer a kind word about our show.

State Fair was awesome! We were always lucky to find great parking spots and friendly park staff. Working at Miller Lite Park was great! The entire staff would dance and sing along with us, while serving up ice cold Miller beer and Gator Tators! Our sound man, Kevin, was patient, accomodating and helpful. We looked forward to returning to the park each day and working with these outstanding people.

Thank you all for a great week! Now it's time for SIX PACK members to take an Ibuprofin, get some sleep, and go back to our REAL jobs tomorrow!

August 1, 2008

Our dear friend and awesome drummer, A.J. Knight, will be playing his last gig with SIX PACK on Thursday, August 7 at State Fair. A.J. is moving his family to North Dakota where he will begin a new journey as a Professor at the University of North Dakota. A.J. started with us in "Barry's Truckers" and "Kyxx" and now "SIX PACK". He is a wonderful person, a professional musician, a great husband and dad, and a true friend. We are happy for him and this new opportunity and wish him well. A.J., we'll miss you and we love you!

Marty "The Party" Pierce, just back from the East Coast, will be joining SIX PACK on Saturday, August 9 at State Fair. Marty played with us in "Barry's Truckers" and moved to the East Coast for a job opportunity. We're fortunate that he returned to good old Wisconsin just in time for A.J. to pursue his dream. Marty has a smile that will melt your heart and a beat that will keep you dancin'! Please welcome Marty back on Saturday, Aug. 9.